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## MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Minutes of 14 Feb 06 Environmental Quality Control Committee (EQCC) Meeting

- 1. The EQCC meeting was held on 14 February 2006 at Sullivan Barracks. The EQCC Agenda Packet and Attendance Roster are enclosed.
- 2. Larry Scavone, Director of Public Works, opened the meeting and welcomed the attendees.
- 3. Mary Kay Foley, Chief Environmental Management Division (EMD), presented the EQCC meeting agenda. The main topic was the presentation of Mr. William A. Davidson on the mission, structure, and operation of the Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office (DRMO). The closest DRMO offices, located in Kaiserslautern and Germersheim, accept and re-issue excess/serviceable items. Items are re-distributed to users at no cost. DRMO also disposes of excess military property (demilitarization services). DRMO does not accept any classified property, radioactive wastes, refuse and trash, privacy information containing waste, drugs, biological substances or ammunition.
- 4. Ms Foley provided the following environmental updates:
- a. The Hazardous Waste/Hazardous Materials Handbook is available at the Environmental Management Division. One hard copy will be issued to each unit. The handbook is also available electronically at the EMD website.
- b. Each unit must appoint an Environmental Compliance Officer (ECO). Please appoint an ECO and send appointment order to Ms. Fellhauer (EMD). The Environmental Division can also provide a template appointment letter.
- c. Vehicle washing is generally prohibited in motorpools, only designated wash racks are to be used.
- d. Vehicle idling is prohibited according to German law. Engines must be turned off when vehicles are stopped.
- e. The new army energy interim policy is now effective, including measures to save energy, such as turning off computers and equipment, turning off exterior lights during day time, turning down heat at night, no use of AC unless authorized by commander.

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- f. A 32 hours Hazardous Waste training (Basic Environmental Compliance Officer Training Course) will be held in Heidelberg from 18-21 April. IMA-E will provide an online training course soon.
- g. Off-Post residents are not authorized to dispose of trash into trash containers within the Mannheim Military Community. Illegal dumping should be reported to the USAG-M Military Police. Military and civilian personnel will be subject to action in case of violation of the Trash Disposal Policy.
- h. A leaking oil water separator near Building 218 is currently being removed. A new groundwater monitoring well will be established to monitor a possible contamination.
  - i. Earth week will be celebrated from 24-28 April 2006.
- j. EMD has launched their new Environmental Website: http://home.mannheim.army.mil/sites/directorates/DPW\_web/ Environmental.htm Policies, guides, contact information and other resources are available for download.
- 5. The following items/documents were handed out during open discussion: Policy Memo #36 Off Post Solid Waste Disposal, UEC/ECO list, Recycling Guide, EMS Policy, HMRC Fact Sheet, Media Manager List, "Red Plan" for new spill plan & spill response cards, instructions to access on-line training, recycling supplies, off-post trash info sheet, energy monitor checklist.
- 6. No current issues regarding concerns of interested parties were identified.
- 7. Ms. Foley closed the meeting, thanking all participants for their attendance. The next EQCC meeting is on 9 May 2006, 1400-1500, in the USO Conference Room, Sullivan Barracks. Mannheim.
- 8. POC is DPW, Environmental Management Division, DSN 381-8675/7699, email: dl293dbsbdpwemd@cmtymail.26asg.army.mil.

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